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**Fourth group of ARPA funds for small businesses awarded**

*SPRINGFIELD, Mo.* – The Greene County Commission approved 49 awards on Tuesday to small businesses that applied for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) COVID-19 relief funds.

The following is a list of those businesses and awards in their dollar amount:

	<b>Business Name</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
1	Corp & Legal Reproductions LLC	11,250.00
2	Georgia Mac's	13,250.00
3	Healthy Weight Supermarket	10,000.00
4	Midwest Exterior Products LLC	11,500.00
5	Robert W Nunn, DDS LLC	12,250.00
6	Tony Taylor Insurance Agency	10,250.00
7	Database Systems of Spfld Inc	11,750.00
8	Godzchld Daycare	500.00
9	Inst. of Botanical Training	5,750.00
10	NVR Auto	10,500.00
11	Salyers Transcription	5,000.00
12	Top Tier Homes LLC	15,750.00
13	English Apparel & Promotional, Materials	12,250.00
14	Great Outdoors Studios Inc.	12,000.00
15	Karma Salon	9,300.00
16	Park East Market LLC	12,000.00
17	Sumit Hot Yoga	12,250.00
18	Advantage Insurance Services	3,100.00
19	Dz9Nr LLC	10,500.00
20	Goose Creek Publishing Co LLC	11,750.00

21	International Division Inc	15,750.00
22	Opfer Communications Inc.	15,000.00
23	Sierk, Justin	4,800.00
24	XFit, LLC	12,500.00
25	Essential Yoga Studio LLC	12,000.00
26	Harbell's Grill & Sports Bar	19,500.00
27	Marlin Incent LLC	10,750.00
28	Pizza Ranch Restaurant	23,750.00
29	The Pitch Pizza & Pub	15,750.00
30	Allchecks Inc	5,000.00
31	Ely'S Barber And Style LLC	10,000.00
32	Gracie Lous Trends	5,000.00
33	John's Suit Shop	10,750.00
34	Palisades Stone	7,500.00
35	Stuart, Denise	5,000.00
36	Ace Automotive	10,500.00
37	Cooper's Clippers Barbershop	8,800.00
38	Four Paws Salon LLC	5,600.00
39	Headline Productions LLC	15,500.00
40	Mid-State Support LLC	6,500.00

41	Red Star Mowing	5,000.00
42	The Studio	10,000.00
43	Bellacinos Pizza & Grinders	17,000.00
44	Enviro-Serve of The Ozarks	6,700.00
45	H Design Group L.L.C.	20,500.00
46	Loving Real Estate, Michelle Hutton	5,000.00
47	Peapod Learning Center LLC	15,500.00
48	Suntastic Tanning Center Inc	12,500.00
49	All Dudes & Divas Salon LLC	2,405.00

A total of \$515,455 was awarded to businesses in this fourth group of funding. Since July 26, 2022, the Commission has approved a total of \$2,459,556.75 in ARPA grants to 204 small businesses in Greene County.

Applications that were submitted are still being reviewed and will be awarded in the future. The first-round application period was open for six weeks from April 20 to May 31, 2022.

The County used federal ARPA guidelines to determine award eligibility. Additionally, the County set up an online application process where businesses had to demonstrate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and provide supporting documentation.

Awards were also adjusted considering the size of the business and if it received additional pandemic funds. Finally, applications were reviewed by a nine-person Advisory Committee established on Jan. 19, 2022.

The Greene County Commission and ARPA team focused on small businesses with 50 employees or less for awards in the first round of funding. The average number of employees was 7.7.

“The Commission believes that our small businesses are the foundation of our community’s economy,” said Presiding Commissioner Bob Dixon. “They employ our citizens and pay taxes which fund vital services. It made sense to make small business relief a cornerstone of our recovery efforts.”

Federal ARPA funds are designed to support local economic recovery efforts from the COVID-19 pandemic. Greene County has received a total of \$56.9 million in ARPA funds.

Due to the large number of applications this cycle, the County Commission is currently reevaluating how many future rounds of funding will be needed. Approximately \$8 million dollars has been allocated for small business ARPA applications.

The application period for nonprofit to apply for ARPA funds closed Sept. 14, 2022. Those applications are currently being reviewed.

All Greene County ARPA funds must be allocated by Dec. 31, 2024. All projects funded by the County must be completed by Dec. 31, 2026.

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*Greene County is the State of Missouri’s fourth most populous county, serving approximately 295,000 people. Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.*

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